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SUBJECT: ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL AS POSSIBLE FELLOW PEACE-
MAKERS IN THE ANDES.

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1. THROUGH OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE AND REFTELS CITED
ABOVE YOU ARE AWARE OF OUR SIX INDIVIDUALLY TAILORED DE-
MARCHES CARRIED OUT IN AN ATTEMPT TO EASE WAR FEARS AND
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TENSIONS IN THE ANDES.

2. UNDER TERMS OF OUR ORIGINAL AUTHORIZATION, AP-
PROACHES OF A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT CHARACTER ARE CONTEMPLATED
TO GOVERNMENTS OF ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL. UNLESS YOU PER-
CEIVE OVERRIDING OBJECTION, YOU ARE THEREFORE REQUESTED
UNDERTAKE SUCH APPROACHES ALONG LINES SET FORTH BELOW,

SUBJECT OF COURSE TO YOUR OWN BEST JUDGMENT AS TO LEVEL
AND MANNER OF CARRYING THEM OUT.

3. FOLLOWING ARE GENERAL PRINCIPLES ENVISAGED
FOR YOUR APPROACHES TO GOA AND GOB:

A. SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION IS AMPLY SET FORTH
IN OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE ALREADY SENT
YOU AND IN REFTELS CITED.

B. WE DO NOT AT THIS TIME SEEK ANY ACTION BY
GOA OR GOB.

C. INSTEAD, WE WISH TO MAKE THEM AWARE OF OUR
VIEW ON SITUATION OF CHRONIC TENSION AMONG
BOLIVIA, CHILE, ECUADOR, AND PERU.

D. WE WOULD POINT OUT THAT MISPERCEPTIONS AND
MISINTERPRETATIONS SOMETIMES CONVERT THIS
CHRONIC SITUATION INTO ACUTE ONE -- AS
OCCURRED LAST DECEMBER-JANUARY.

E. ANOTHER COMPLICATING FACTOR IS PERUVIAN
ARMS BUILD-UP WITH HEAVY INFLUX OF SOVIET
WEAPONS, RESULTING UNEASINESS AMONG PERU'S
NEIGHBORS, AND COMPETITIVE QUEST FOR
ILLUSORY "ARMS BALANCE".

F. OUR OWN COMMITMENT TO CAUSE OF PEACE
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THROUGHOUT THE AMERICAS OF COURSE INCLUDES
PEACE IN THE ANDES. WE HOPE THIS WILL BE
AN INTANGIBLE BUT POSITIVE FACTOR IN
INTRA-ANDEAN CALCULATIONS.

G. ROLE AND INFLUENCE OF ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL
IN LATIN AMERICA ARE SUCH THAT WE WANT
THEM TO BE AWARE OF OUR INTEREST AND
CONCERN IN THIS MATTER.

H. SHOULD FUTURE CIRCUMSTANCES OR DEVELOP-
MENTS SO WARRANT, WE WOULD LIKE TO FEEL
FREE TO CONSULT FURTHER WITH GOA AND GOB.
SHOULD ANY INTERNATIONAL ACTION BECOME
APPROPRIATE, WE AND THEY MIGHT WISH TO
CONSIDER CONCERTING OUR ACTIONS.

I. IN ESSENCE, THEN, PRESENT CONVERSATION
IS FOUNDATION UPON WHICH WE MAY OR MAY

NOT FIND OCCASION TO BUILD IN THE FUTURE
BUT WHICH WE CONSIDER IT USEFUL TO HAVE
IN PLACE.

4. ASSUMING YOU HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THIS AND DO
CARRY OUT THESE APPROACHES, PLEASE REPORT GENERAL NATURE
OF GOA AND GOB REACTION SO THAT WE MAY INCORPORATE SAME
IN REPORT ON THIS OVER-ALL APPROACH. VANCE

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